

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Director of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs and the Construction Codes Coordinating Board, pursuant to the authority set forth in Mayor's Order 2009-22, dated February 25, 2009, hereby give notice of the intent to adopt, in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*, amendments to Chapter 6 (Building Code Advisory Committee) of Title 1 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR).

This proposed rulemaking is necessary to comply with the provisions of Mayor's Order 2009-22, which rescinded Mayor's Order 89-257, dated November 7, 1989, and replaced the Building Code Advisory Committee with the Construction Codes Coordinating Board.

This proposed rulemaking replaces the existing Chapter 6, including renaming the chapter, in order to reflect the new name of the Construction Codes Coordinating Board and its function.

1 DCMR Chapter 6 is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 6. CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD

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600. PURPOSE

- 600.1 This chapter establishes the procedures by which the Construction Codes Coordinating Board ("Board") and the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs ("Department") shall comply with the requirements of Mayor's Order 2009-22, dated February 25, 2009, in implementing the promulgation of revisions to the District of Columbia Construction Codes (D.C. Official Code §§ 6-1401 *et seq.* and Title 12 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations) ("Construction Codes").

601. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

- 601.1 The Board shall publish in the *District of Columbia Register* and on the Department website a notice of each Board meeting at which it will consider proposed changes to the Construction Codes.
- 601.2 Each notice shall contain the following:
- (a) The date, time, and location of the meeting;

- (b) A website address at which interested persons can review the meeting agenda and Board minutes; and
- (c) The mailing address or electronic mail address to which may be sent written proposals to amend the Construction Codes.

602. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

- 602.1 The Chairperson of the Board shall conduct each meeting.
- 602.2 If the Chairperson is unable to conduct a meeting, the Vice Chairperson shall do so.
- 602.3 The Chairperson may, at his or her discretion, allow members of the public to make statements at any meeting where the statements address:
 - (a) Any Construction Codes provisions under consideration by the Board; or
 - (b) Any procedures employed by the Board in considering amendments to the Construction Codes.

603. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 603.1 The Board shall allow members of the public the opportunity to comment in writing on any Construction Codes provisions under consideration by the Board.
- 603.2 The Board, at the discretion of the Chairperson, may allow oral comments on any Construction Codes provisions under consideration to be presented orally at its meetings; provided, that oral comments on a particular Construction Codes provision under consideration may be made only at a Board meeting at which that Construction Codes provision is under consideration.

All persons desiring to comment on these proposed regulations should submit comments in writing to Helder Gil, Legislative Affairs Specialist, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, 941 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 9500, Washington, D.C. 20002, or via e-mail at helder.gil@dc.gov, not later than thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*. Copies of the proposed rules can be obtained from the address listed above. A copy fee of one dollar (\$1.00) will be charged for each copy of the proposed rulemaking requested. Free copies are available on the DCRA website at <http://dcra.dc.gov> by going to the "DCRA News" link and then clicking on the "Rulemaking" tab.